

WORKING PLAN FOR DOGS ON CONSERVATION LAND – JULY 27, 2017

Focus Areas	Goals	Potential Approaches (to be fleshed out by working groups)
Education	Clearly communicate rules and regs to dog guardians for dogs on Conservation lands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Signage — more pictorial, emotionally positive</li> <li>• Town-wide Dog specific Website</li> </ul>
	Build a culture of responsible dog guardians on Conservation Land	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enroll dog owners in this effort</li> </ul>
	Educate dog guardians regarding dogs' impact on Conservation Lands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collaborate with responsible dog owners</li> <li>• Website—info from other environmental organizations—governmental and non-governmental</li> </ul>
	Protect unique and valuable natural resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Educate public</li> </ul>
Effective control by dog guardians of dogs on Town conservation lands	Clearer definition of “effective and direct voice control” and “run at large”.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Research and adopt clear criteria for dog guardians and dogs on Conservation Lands (examples: Boulder and Carmel by the Sea)</li> </ul>
	Establish rules to protect all-dogs and people.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leash dogs in parking areas</li> <li>• Expectation that dogs will be leashed when meeting another person/group</li> <li>• # of dogs (off leash) per person</li> <li>• Consider needs and issues of abutters, including farmers, to Conservation Land</li> </ul>
	Protect unique and valuable natural resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consider different restrictions for different Conservation Lands</li> <li>• Consider different restrictions based on time of year (such as breeding season)</li> </ul>
Dog waste on Conservation lands	Dog guardians removal of dog waste on Conservation Land	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collaborate with responsible dog owner group</li> <li>• Look at what other organizations are doing</li> <li>• Educate owners on products they can purchase to carry out dog waste (Pooch pouch, etc.)</li> <li>• Build Town-wide culture amongst dog guardians that removing dog waste is the norm.</li> </ul>
	Help our local farmers be successful	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Educate/communicate need to remove dog waste from areas near or in farm fields as posted.</li> </ul>